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SUBJECT: JOINT WORKSHOP FOCUSES ON NUCLEAR EXPORT CONTROLS

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1. (U) SUMMARY: In opening remarks to a USG-sponsored training workshop on nuclear export controls, Pol/C underscored the importance of effective export controls in halting the proliferation of goods and technology that could be used to develop Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD). The April 28-30 workshop--which was run by a USG inter-agency team--included officials from several GOI agencies, including nuclear energy, nuclear regulatory, and customs. The workshop included various instructional modules. GOI participants said they appreciated the workshop and Indonesia's involvement in the EXBS program. END SUMMARY.

#### WORKSHOP IN JAKARTA

2. (U) An inter-agency team from the U.S. Departments of Energy and State conducted a workshop on WMD-related commodity identification training in Jakarta April 28-30. The workshop, a sequel to the one held in November 2007 in Jakarta (reftel), was supported by Mission and by the regional representative for the Department's Office the Export Control and Related Border Security (EXBS).

#### WELCOMING REMARKS

3. (U) In welcoming remarks, Pol/C underscored the strong and growing relationship between the U.S. and Indonesia centered on the need to cooperate on ways to counter proliferation. Globalization of trade has made proliferation a truly international problem. Ever expanding global trade markets and technological advances have made it significantly more difficult to prevent the proliferation of WMD and the materials used to produce them. Through our ongoing cooperation under the EXBS program we seek to collaborate and work with countries to develop strong strategic trade-control policies and to strengthen national strategic trade systems consistent with international standards, regimes and policies. We look forward to further cooperation with Indonesia in this area and stand ready to offer further assistance.

#### INDONESIAN COMMENTS

14. (U) On the GOI side, Dr. As Natio Lasman, Chairman of the Indonesian Nuclear Energy Regulatory Agency (BAPETEN), reviewed Indonesia's ongoing process of compliance with the international WMD agreements that it had signed, including:

- the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty (NPT);
- the Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC);
- the Biological Weapons Convention (BWC);
- the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty (CTBT); and,
- the Southeast Asian Nuclear Weapons Free Zone (SEANWFZ).

15. (U) M. Wahyu Purnomo, Director of International Affairs in the Directorate General of Customs and Excise, observed that globalization abetted transnational crime and made international cooperation and increased national vigilance in this area essential. Adiwardojo (one name only), Deputy Chairman for Development of Nuclear Technology and Energy at the Indonesian National Nuclear Energy Agency (BATAN), noted that Indonesia was a state party to the Nuclear Safeguards Agreement and the Additional Protocol of the NPT, and had participated in several recent conferences on nuclear safety and on early notification. The GOI also participated in the Asian Security Network and had completed a program of technical cooperation with DOE.

#### INSTRUCTIONAL MODULES

16. (U) The workshop included instructional modules, which included discussion of:

- controlled items relating to nuclear weapons;
- controlled items relating to missile delivery systems;
- controlled items relating to chemical weapons development;

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- controlled items relating to biological weapons development; and,
- issues involving related industrial equipment.

The Indonesian Directorate General of Customs and Excise also presented an overview of the Directorate and its responsibilities.

#### POSITIVE COLLABORATION

17. (U) Indonesian participants expressed appreciation for the opportunity to discuss nuclear export controls in an informal workshop setting. They were well aware of the dangers of proliferation and appreciated learning about methods to counter proliferation, though they admitted that their technological expertise was low. This workshop--coupled with the one held last November and others before that--set a solid basis for additional USG cooperation with Indonesia in this area.

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